Greetings!! I hope all is going well as midterms approach!! Here are some odds and ends for this month:

1. Fall Semester 2016 Dates and Deadlines:
   - Friday, October 7th: Preliminary Spring 2017 schedule of courses on the web
   - Friday, October 28th: Registration dates posted on your CampusConnection (CC) account
   - October 31st – November 18th: Early Registration for Spring 2017
   - Thursday, November 10th: Last day to drop a course (you may do this yourself on CC)
   - Thursday, November 10th: Last day to change a course over to S/U grading (you need my signature to do this)

2. The Final Required Freshman Advising Meeting #3 is Monday, October 10th!
   The final freshmen meeting is next week!! Same place and time: Reed Keller Auditorium in the old med school building at 8pm. We will be planning your schedules for next semester so you won’t want to miss it!! This is the last time you may meet with me and ask me questions on Pre-Health for this semester. If you miss this meeting, I cannot meet with you individually and you will then need to meet with your major advisor for any schedule planning questions.

3. 2017 MCAT - Kaplan MCAT Review Class - Spring Semester Planning Meeting on October 12!
   Are you planning to take the 2017 MCAT next spring? There will be a 2017 MCAT Orientation and Spring Semester planning meeting on October 12, 2016 at 7:30pm in the Haugen Lecture Hall of the old UND SMHS. I will cover planning your spring semester schedules, information on the 2017 MCAT and the 2017 Kaplan MCAT Review Course.
   Information on registration for the 2017 Kaplan MCAT Review course will be presented at the meeting and will open later this month. Only current or former UND students are eligible to take the UND section of the Kaplan course.

4. UND SMHS Pre-Med Day is coming up on Saturday, October 22, 2016!
   Reservations are required and space is limited, so if you plan to attend, you must RSVP Angela Beademphil by October 14th: angela.beademphil@med.und.edu. The schedule for the day has been tweaked a bit and will include tours of the new building – see the schedule at: http://arts-sciences.und.edu/pre-health/pre-health-announcements.cfm.

5. NWHSU Chiropractic School on Campus in October!
   Tony Klem, Senior Admissions Counselor from NWHSU Chiropractic School, will be on campus once again to meet with Pre-Chiropractic students during the week of October 24th. I will let you know specifics when we finalize things.

6. Courses not going as well as you had hoped so far this semester?
   The Student Success Center has a variety of educational resources to help you succeed in college such as:
   - Online Study Skills Tutorials (through Blackboard)
   - Tip Sheets
   - Read&Write Toolbar add-on for PCs and Macs
   - Helpful Websites recommendations
   - Free Tutoring
   Check out all they have to offer at: http://und.edu/student-affairs/academic-support/study-skills.cfm

7. Looking for some community service hours? Try STLF!
   Students Today Leaders Forever is a non-profit, student led leadership organization here on campus. Their motto is “achieving leadership through service, relationships and action.”
   While STLF offers monthly service projects, the biggest thing they do is a Pay It Forward Tour (PIFT) over spring break. A coach bus full of UND college students spends 9 days traveling back and forth from Grand Forks to a “destination city”. Along the way, they stop in a new city each night, sleep in churches or rec centers, and wake up the next day to do a service project (e.g. painting, cleaning, serving food). They then hop back on the bus at the end of the day and go on to the next city. Once they hit the destination city, they spend 3 days there, before returning to Grand Forks. The return trip is by a different route, stopping at different cities each night on the way home. Ask anybody who has done one – PIFT’s are lots of fun!!! For Spring Break 2017 they are heading to Nashville, TN! The cost for the upcoming Nashville PIFT trip is $525. This covers everything except 1 meal a day. If you have any questions please don’t hesitate to ask by emailing: und@stlf.net.
   Chapter Core Ellie Swenson encourages you to follow them on Facebook at “UND STLF Chapter” to stay in the loop with the meeting and tour information, and to feel free to explore their website at: stlf.net. She hopes to see you on the tour!
8. Spring 2017 Early Registration is October 31- November 18, 2016

Spring 2017 Early Registration is just around the corner! Classes planned next semester by each department will be finalized on CC October 7th. (Current course listings are tentative and may not be entirely correct). When searching for classes for next semester, be sure to choose Spring 2017 before hitting the search button.

Please keep the following definitions in mind when it comes to selecting your classes:

1. “Requisite” is another word for requirement. A number of classes have requisites that need to be met in order to take them. A requisite can be anything from declaration of a particular major, enrollment in a particular program, completion of another class, or concurrent enrollment in another class.
2. “Pre-Requisite” is something that must be completed BEFORE you take the class (i.e., another class, declaring a major, etc.).
3. “Co-Requisite” is something that must be taken WITH the class (i.e., a lab, another class, etc.).

Here are answers to some common registration questions I get this time of the year:

1. **When can I register?** At UND, students register in order of total number of credits completed. Check your CC account later this month to see the date and time you will be allowed to register for your spring classes. Times should be posted on your accounts by October 28th.
2. **How do I register?** All students must register themselves for classes through CC. I can tell you what classes to take, however registering for them is up to you!
3. **The class I want is closed - now what?** All may not be lost! Some departments use electronic waiting lists, some use manual waiting lists, and some let the professors handle things. Contact the department of the class you are trying to get into to see how to proceed from there. I cannot get you into closed classes!!!!
4. **CampusConnection won’t let me sign up for a class - WHY?** There are numerous reasons CC may not let you sign up for a course(s) – some of the more common ones are:
   - you have a “Hold” on your account (indicated on your CC Student Center page):
     - Business Office Hold (usually means you have an unpaid bill or parking ticket)
     - Immunization Hold (Student Health Services still needs your immunization record)
     - OAE Academic Hold (you haven’t completed the Online Alcohol Education required of all freshmen)
     - Departmental Hold (some departments require you to meet with an advisor before you may register) - I do not use Holds so if you have one, check with your major advisor
     - Financial Obligation Agreement - you must “sign” this agreement through your CC account EVERY SEMESTER before you attempt to register for classes
   - you have not completed (or are not currently in) a prerequisite for the course
   - you completed the prerequisite at another school (if the prerequisite course number on your transcript from the other school is different from the prerequisite course number here at UND, CC won't recognize it as a legitimate course - even if it is!) => contact the instructor of the course you want to take here for an override
   - you did not submit co-requisite classes together when you tried to enroll (i.e., choose both lab and lecture sections before hitting submit button)
   - there is any overlap in start and end times for classes you choose
   - you are trying to sign up for a class that is restricted to certain majors => contact instructor for permission

If CampusConnection does not allow you to register for a course, and is giving you a reason that you do not understand or makes no sense, then check with One Stop or the Registrar’s Office.

8. **Restricted Classes mean more work for you when you try to register for them!!**

1. **Anatomy 204 (Anatomy for Paramed Personnel)**
   The Anatomy 204 lecture sections are unrestricted and open to anyone. However, many of the lab sections are not. There are only a few lab sections that are unrestricted and open to anyone. Pre-Health students may only sign up for the unrestricted sections (next spring they are sections 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18). If those unrestricted sections are all filled by the time you register, even if there are openings in restricted sections, you must contact the instructor of the class, Dr. Kenneth Ruit (kenneth.ruit@med.und.edu) to get waitlisted.

2. **PPT 301 (Human Physiology)**
   PPT 301 is restricted to certain majors, so you will need an override from the instructor, Dr. Jim Haselton, to get into the class. Dr. Haselton prefers to give overrides for all of his classes electronically, so you need to contact him by e-mail (james.haselton@med.und.edu). Be sure to include your name, the course you want (in this case, PPT 301) and your student ID number. Remember, only the Anatomy 204 lecture is a pre-requisite for PPT 301!!

That’s all for now – stay healthy and have a great October!!!

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